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Heemann et al.

Confirmation No. 4782

Serial No. 10/762,175

Examiner: Jeffrey C. Mullis

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Art Unit: 1711

Title: HOT-MELT ADHESIVES BASED ON GRAFT COPOLYMERS

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005, please enter the following remarks in the above-referenced application.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, corresponding to Claims 1-11 and 16-19 as set forth in the Office Action.

Applicants hereby elect the species of claimed adhesive composition wherein component "B" as recited in Claim 1 is required to be present in the adhesive composition.

Applicants hereby elect the species of claimed adhesive composition wherein component "D" as recited in Claim 1 is not required to be present in the adhesive composition.

Applicants hereby elect the species of claimed adhesive composition wherein component "E" as recited in Claim 1 is not required to be present in the adhesive composition.

Applicants hereby elect the species of claimed adhesive composition wherein component "C" as recited in Claim 1 is present and corresponds to an acrylic acid copolymer.

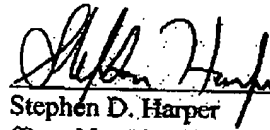
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Applicants hereby elect the species of claimed adhesive composition wherein component "A" as recited in Claim 1 is a graft copolymer containing an olefinically unsaturated monomer corresponding to monomer i-c (i.e., "at least one monomer selected from the group consisting of vinyl acetate and vinyl propionate").

Claims 1, 3-10, and 16-19 are believed to read on the species elected herein.

Respectfully submitted,



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